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FOR S/IL AND EA

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: APPEAL BY LABOR LEADER

1. EMBASSY HAS OBTAINED COPY OF CABLE TRAN QUOC BUU SENT GEORGE MEANY JANUARY 9. TEXT FOLLOWS: QUOTE DEAR PRES MEANY, SOUTH VIETNAM'S FREE TRADE UNION MOVEMENT HAS TAKEN ANOTHER HARD BLOW. PHUOC BINH'S FALL AND RESULTING COMMUNIST CAPTURE OF PHUOC LONG PROVINCE IS DISAPPOINTING MILITARY SEATBACK AND ANOTHER FLAGRANT VIOLATION OF PARIS AGREEMENT. TO CVT IT IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN A MILITARY LOSS FOR WE LOST TWO MORE CVT PROVINCE LEADERS AND THOUSANDS OF MEMBERS OF OUR RUBBER PLANTATION WORKERS UNION, ALL CIVILIANS, SLAUGHTERED BY COMMUNISTS WHO WERE BACKED BY RUSSIAN TANKS, ARTILLERY AND LIMITLESS AMMUNITION. PARA I ASK YOU TO KINDLY TELL YOUR COUNTRYMEN THAT WITHOUT SUFFICIENT AMMUNITION AND SUPPLIES OUR BRAVE SOLDIERS CANNOT HOPE TO HOLD BACK THE BLOODTHIRSTY COMMUNIST HORDE. CVT WILL BE FIRST CASUALTY IF COMMUNISTS ARE ALLOWED TO DOMINATE COUNTRY. THIS WILL BE OUR DESTINY BASED ON EXPERIENCE OF 1954 WHEN ALL UNION BROTHERS IN THE NORTH WERE JAILED OR DISAPPEARED AFTER COMMUNIST TAKEOVER. WE CANNOT ESCAPE TO THE SOUTH AS IN 1954; THERE IS NO PLACE FOR ANTICOMMUNISTS TO GO IN SOUTH VIETNAM BUT TO FIRING SQUAD. PLEASE TELL YOUR PEOPLE THAT OUR ONLY HOPE IS FOR AMERICAN GOVERNMENT TO PROVIDE AS NECESSARY SUPPLIES FOR WITHOUT IT THE WORLD COMMUNIST CONSPIRACY WILL ADD ONE MORE SATELLITE TO ITS ORBIT. END QUOTE.

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